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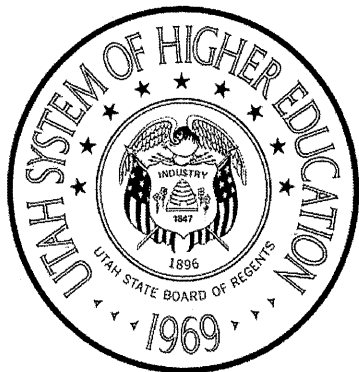
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AGENDA

MEETING OF THE  
UTAH STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

July 27-28, 2006

**Utah State Board of Regents  
Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education  
Board of Regents Building, The Gateway  
60 South 400 West  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1284**

**ii. Removal of the Business Information Systems Specialization  
Master of Business Administration**

**The Request:** Utah State University requests removal of the Business Information Systems Specialization from the Master of Business Administration. The Board of Trustees approved this request at its meeting of 7 April 2006.

The Business Information Systems specialization has seen limited enrollment in the past several years. The MBA program would like to manage its limited resources into classes which have higher enrollment.

**Need:** There has been low enrollment for this specialization. There are still several other specializations from which students can choose.

**Institutional Impact:** There is no impact to the institution.

**Finances:** There is no budgetary impact.

**iii. Removal of the International Economics Specialization  
Master of Business Administration**

**The Request:** Utah State University requests approval to remove the International Economics Specialization from the Master of Business Administration. The Board of Trustees approved this request at its meeting of 7 April 2006.

The International Economic specialization has seen limited enrollment in the past several years. Students wishing to pursue additional course work in this area can meet individually with the academic advisor to plan a course of study. The MBA program would like to manage its limited resources into classes which have higher enrollment.

**Need:** There has been low enrollment for this specialization. There are still several other specializations from which students can choose.

**Institutional Impact:** There is no impact to the institution.

**Finances:** There is no budgetary impact.

**iv. Removal of the Quantitative Economic Analysis Specialization  
Master of Business Administration**

**The Request:** Utah State University requests removal of the Quantitative Economic Analysis Specialization from the Master of Business Administration. There are still several other specializations from which students can choose. The Board of Trustees approved this request at its meeting of 7 April 2006.

The Quantitative Economic Analysis specialization has seen limited enrollment in the past several years. The MBA program would like to manage its limited resources into classes which have higher enrollment.

**Need:** There has been low enrollment for this specialization. There are still several other specializations from which students can choose.

**Institutional Impact:** There is no impact to the institution.

**Finances:** There is no budgetary impact.

### ***B. Southern Utah University***

#### **Discontinue the Undergraduate Physical Education Minor with an Athletic Training Emphasis**

**The Request:** Southern Utah University requests approval to discontinue the undergraduate Physical Education Minor Emphasis in Athletic Training.

**Need:** During the past decade rigorous certification criteria have been implemented by the National Athletic Training Association to ensure capable and qualified athletic trainer practitioners. As part of this certification process there are educational and practical clinical hour requirements that must be satisfied before a candidate will be allowed to take the certifying NATA national exam. The current minor emphasis in athletic training at SUU does not prepare or qualify a student to take the certification exam.

There are very few students that are currently enrolled in the athletic training minor. The majority of these students are either Pre-Physical Therapy or Pre-Med students. The new exercise science major and minor emphasis in Physical Education should satisfy the needs of the currently enrolled students and future students wishing to pursue careers in human performance. In addition, all courses necessary to complete the Athletic Training Minor Emphasis will be offered on the same scheduling format.

**Institutional Impact:** The impact of the new emphasis upon existing administrative structures and students should be minimal.

**Finances:** There is no anticipated budgetary impact on other programs or units within the institution.

#### **Commissioner's Recommendation**

**The Commissioner recommends the Regents approve the institutional requests on the Consent Calendar as described above.**

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Richard E. Kendell, Commissioner

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